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HS ALERT EOD Equipment 2013

Grant Announcement

**Applications must be submitted through
Egrants on or before October 30, 2014**



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Important Contact Information for this Grant Opportunity:

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The Egrants system user guide has step-by-step instructions for accessing and using the Egrants online system. The guide is posted on the grants page of the WEM website:

<https://egrants.emergencymanagement.wi.gov/egmis/EgrantsExternalUserGuide9-12-2014WEM.pdf>

Online Help is available throughout the Egrants application process. Once you have started an application, look for the HELP button in the top right corner of the screen. Page-specific instructions can be found there.

Grant Announcement Summary

Grant Title: HS ALERT EOD Equipment 2013

Description: This grant will support the Aligned Law Enforcement Response Team (ALERT) initiative, specifically the Regional Explosive Ordnance Device (EOD) teams, by funding a complete refurbishment of the EOD response vehicle for the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office.

Opportunity Category: Limited Eligibility

Important Dates:

Application Due Date: October 30, 2014

Project Start Date: November 7, 2014

Project End Date: June 30, 2015

Anticipated Funding Amount: As approved by the ALERT Executive Committee, the dollar amount available under this funding opportunity is \$100,000.

Match/Cost Sharing Requirement: None

Eligibility: The Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office is the only eligible applicant.

DUNS Number: The federal government now requires a DUNS number as part of the grant application to keep track of how federal grant money is awarded and dispersed. If your organization needs to obtain a DUNS number, go to <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform>. You can also search this site if you cannot find your agency's number. Under normal circumstances, a new account can be created in 24-72 hours. The federal government has published DUNS Frequently Asked Questions at <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform/displayFAQPage.do>. Check with your agency's financial office before registering for a DUNS number - it is likely your agency already has one.

WEM cannot award grant funds until an active DUNS number is provided.

Eligible Expenses: Funds may be used for equipment, supplies, and contractual expenses.

All expenses must be new and cannot replace existing state or local government funding. Substitution of existing funds with federal grants (supplanting) will be the subject of monitoring and audit. Violations may result in a range of penalties, including suspension of current and future funds under this program, suspension or debarment from federal grants, repayment of monies provided under a grant, and civil and/or criminal penalties.

HS ALERT EOD Equipment 2013

Program Description

WEM will provide grant funds for the regional ALERT EOD team of Milwaukee County, as approved by the ALERT Executive Committee. The sheriff's office will use the funding specifically to renovate, refurbish, repair, and add equipment necessary to allow their current EOD response vehicle to be more effective and modern for their regional use.

EOD team equipment funding priorities were determined in coordination with the ALERT workgroup and approved by the Executive Committee.

Submit Applications Using Egrants

Applications must be submitted through the Egrants online grants management system. If you have never used Egrants before, you will need to register for access to the system. To register online, go to <https://register.wisconsin.gov/accountmanagement/default.aspx> and complete the 'self registration' process.

Authorization to access Egrants can take several days depending on registration activity. The WEM help desk is open Monday-Friday 7:30am-4pm if you need assistance. (Please note: If you register outside of these hours, access may not be approved until the next business day.) Once your Egrants access has been approved, you may begin your online grant application.

An Egrants System User Guide is posted on the WEM website:

<http://emergencymanagement.wi.egranets.us/filecabinet/egranets-system-user-guide.pdf>

Application Components

Through Egrants, you will provide WEM with detailed information about your project that will be used to make a funding decision. Questions on what is expected in each section can be directed to Rod Stearns at (715) 829-7142 or at rod.stearns@wisconsin.gov.

1. Main Summary

This page asks for information about your agency and the individuals responsible for the application and grant award. There are many required fields on this page so if you encounter problems, please check online help by clicking the floating HELP button. Please note: When identifying individuals involved in this grant, you may not list the same person as project director and financial officer. The financial officer is the individual responsible for financial activities in your organization while the project director will be overseeing project operations.

In the Brief Project Description text box, please describe your project in 150 words or less. A suggested format is included for your convenience:

"Funds will be used by the (your agency name and others involved in the project) to (describe what funds will be used for and who will be involved). The (what - equipment, training, project, pilot, etc.) will (describe the specific goals you hope to achieve – how will the project or equipment improve safety in Wisconsin?) [If appropriate, add which area(s) of the state will benefit]"

Responses to this section will be used on the WEM website, cited in WEM reports and could be mentioned in press releases. Plain language that clearly describes the intent of the project is most effective.

2. Approval Checklist

Answer Yes, No, or N/A (not applicable) to each question.

3. Performance Measures

Please open this section and change the page status to Complete; then SAVE the page. Performance Measures will be identified and collected during post-award reporting rather than through this funding application process.

4. Budget Detail

Complete a project budget using the following categories. For each category used, enter a justification that describes how the items in that category will be used during the course of the grant period. It is important that you include specific details for each budget line item, including cost calculations.

Equipment: Homeland Security equipment grants require that all equipment (regardless the cost) be entered in this category so that applicants can select from authorized equipment lists. Equipment is defined as items used for prevention, emergency response, and recovery operations.

Supplies and Operating Expenses: Includes consumables such as paper, stationery, postage, and software. Also includes operating expenses such as rent and utilities. Show computations for all items. For example, Rent: \$150/mo x 12 months = \$1,800.

Consultants/Contractual: Provide costs associated with individuals or entities providing services through a contractual arrangement. With the exception of a few justified sole source situations, contracts should be awarded via competitive processes. Attach detailed information to support the total cost of each contract. For each consultant enter the name, if known; service to be provided; hourly or daily fee (8 hour day); and estimated time on the project. Consultant fees in excess of \$450 per 8 hour day require additional justification (contact WEM). List all expenses to be paid from the grant to the individual consultant in addition to their fees (e.g., travel, lodging, meals, etc.). Show the basis of computation for each service requested. Within 30 days of grant award date, a signed contract must be received by WEM. No fund reimbursements will be made prior to receipt of the contract.

Application Review and Award Criteria

All applications must be submitted on or before the deadline and will be screened for completeness and compliance with the instructions provided in this announcement. WEM staff will review applications to ensure consistency with statewide strategies and make funding recommendations to the Adjutant General. All final grant award decisions will be made by the Adjutant General.

Post-Award Special Conditions/Reporting Requirements

If you are awarded funds under this announcement, you will be required to provide regular progress reports. The schedule for your reports will be included in your grant award materials. At that time, please review all of your grant award special conditions and Egrants reporting requirements. In addition to any special conditions described in your award documents and reporting requirements contained in Egrants, you will need to provide the following:

1. Sustainment Costs: Agencies that accept funding are responsible for all sustainment costs.
2. Agencies must notify the local county emergency management director upon acquisition of equipment.
3. Equipment shall be maintained and available to use as intended by the grant for the duration of its useful life. Disposal of equipment must follow all applicable state, federal and local guidelines. The grantee must maintain records of any equipment disposal or transfer of ownership. Any proceeds from the sale of equipment at or near the end of useful life will be considered program revenue and must be reinvested into eligible homeland security expenses.
4. Agencies accepting funding understand that equipment is intended to support the regional law enforcement response efforts with ALERT. In the event an agency is separated from the ALERT program, all equipment must be surrendered or transferred as directed by the Executive Committee.
5. All personnel who utilize equipment purchased with funds from this grant must receive training either through the equipment vendor or other competent source specific to that piece of equipment.
6. Grant modifications must be approved by WEM in order to be considered. The applicant must be current with WEM fiscal and program reports for this. Grant modifications will not be granted unless applicant provides a compelling reason.

Additional Resources

Additional information about Wisconsin Emergency Management and resources to assist with Egrants is available as follows:

- Wisconsin Emergency Management website: <http://emergencymanagement.wi.gov/>
- A helpful Egrants User Guide is posted on the Egrants page of the WEM website. <https://egranis.emergencymanagement.wi.gov/egmis/EgrantsExternalUserGuide9-12-2014WEM.pdf>. It includes registration through grant award instructions.
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